COUNCIL AGENDA: 05-22-12

ITEM: 5.1



Memorandum

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Mayor Chuck Reed

Councilmember Nancy Pyle Councilmember Donald Rocha

SUBJECT:

MEMORANDUM OF

DATE:

May 18, 2012

UNDERSTANDING WITH LAUNCHPAD DEVELOPMENT

APPROVED:

RECOMMENDATION

Approve staff recommendation to execute a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Launchpad Development Company.

BACKGROUND

The MOU represents a first step in pursuing goals of the City for the Tamien Station Area, as well as the interests of the community to secure neighborhood schools, parks and open space. The framework developed by staff provides the basis for a future partnership that will continue to bolster the transformation of the neighborhood.

Representatives of the Tamien Neighborhood Association and the Washington Area Neighborhood Coalition have previously expressed support for the concept of a school and park. Staff's plan to hold an additional community meeting prior to finalizing the partnership agreement will be a valuable confirmation of the support that exists in the neighborhood.